IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Attorney Docket No. 02-896-A)

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Group Art Unit: 1654

Mail Stop Amendment P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

In regard to the above identified application:

- 1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
 - a. Response to the Office Action Mailed March 8, 2006;
 - b. Substitute Specification (Clean Copy);
 - c. Substitute Specification (Marked-up Version Showing Changes Made);
 - d. Petition for 3-Months Extension of Time;
 - e. Check in the amount of \$510; and
 - f. Return Postcard.
- 2. With respect to additional fees:
 - a. No additional fees are required.
 - b. Charge any total additional fees or credit overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

3. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this document is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail No. EV334648101 US in an Envelope addressed to: Mailstop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on this 6th day of September 2006.

By:

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